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# CSIO SPRUCE MEADOWS ‘MASTERS’ 2025



The time has come! The third Major of the year is attracting the show jumping elite to the foothills of the majestic Rocky Mountains in Canada. As a glorious part of the Rolex Grand Slam of Show Jumping, the CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' in Calgary is an absolute highlight in the international show jumping season – and this year the event is celebrating a very special anniversary. Spruce Meadows has undergone a remarkable development since April 13th, 1975: Evolving from its humble beginnings when Ron and Margaret Southern laid the foundation with their visionary spirit, into one of the most famous venues in global equestrian sport, which welcomes riders from all continents.

A place where values are lived, the community reinforced and memories are created for eternity.

As a proud part of the Rolex Grand Slam of Show Jumping, Spruce Meadows has been writing a unique chapter in the history of equestrian sport together with the CHIO Aachen, The Dutch Masters and the CHI Geneva, since 2013. Every rider wants to be part of it, every rider dreams of the victory – ideally several in fact. Because this extraordinary series unites the Majors in Aachen (GER), Geneva (SUI), Spruce Meadows (CAN) and 's-Hertogenbosch (NED) into a unique contest for the most coveted trophy of the interna-

## CPKC INTERNATIONAL presented by ROLEX

Peter Devos (BEL)



2013

Ian Millar (CAN)



2014

Scott Brash (GBR)



2015




*Martin Fuchs (SUI) & Leone Jei at CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2024.*

tional equestrian sport. The rider, who succeeds in winning the Grand Prix at three Majors in succession, goes down in the annals of sporting history for eternity as the Grand Slam winner.

However, often only the width of an oxer lies between top triumphs and deepest disappointments in the Rolex Grand Slam of Show Jumping. In the battle for the crown of the show jumping sport, even the best of the best reach their limits – with one exception: Scott Brash. No name is more closely associated with the prestigious history of the Rolex Grand Slam than that of the British rider. With exemplary stamina, passion and the unwavering will to succeed, he proved in Spruce Meadows in 2015 that it is possible to triumph in the Grand Slam. Back then, the now 39-year-old won his third Major in succession in the legendary International Ring – a historic achievement that remains unrivalled to this very day.

Brash also demonstrated that Spruce Meadows is a successful venue for him in 2016, when he won the CPKC 'International', presented by Rolex – this time with Ursula XII. In 2017, it was Philipp Weishaupt (GER), who outjumped his peers with LB Convall – after his victory at the CHIO Aachen in 2016, this marked his second Major triumph with the impressive grey stallion. In 2018, it was Sameh El Dahan (EGY), who succeeded in leaving the world elite behind, before Beezie Madden and her outstanding stallion,

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Scott Brash (GBR)



2016

Philipp Weishaupt (GER)



2017

Sameh El Dahan (EGY)



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*Richard Vogel (GER) & United Touch S at CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2024.*

*Daniel Deusser (GER) & Killer Queen VDM at CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2024.*



Darry Lou, caused a stir in 2019: The American rider became the first female contender for the Rolex Grand Slam of Show Jumping.

After the interruption caused by the pandemic in 2020, the Swiss rider, Steve Guerdat, headed the field in 2021 with his scopey gelding, Venard de Cerisy. The fantastic victory of the German show jumper, Daniel Deusser with Killer Queen VDM followed a year later. And then something happened that is rare in the history of the CPKC 'International', presented by Rolex: Martin Fuchs (SUI) jumped to victory in 2023 with his talented grey gelding, Leone Jei, and caused a sensation by repeating this feat one year later.

In 2025, all eyes will be on the outstanding Swiss athlete once again.

After his latest triumph at the CHIO Aachen 2025, Martin Fuchs has the opportunity to add a further chapter to his personal Rolex Grand Slam of Show Jumping journey. Should he succeed in winning the Grand Prix in Calgary again, he will be competing for the Grand Slam title at the CHI Geneva. However, it certainly won't be an easy task: The best riders in the world have confirmed their participation and will do everything in their power to assert themselves in this venerable arena. Who will win the CPKC 'International', presented by Rolex, on Sunday, September 7th, 2025? Will Martin Fuchs take the next step in the direction of immortality – or will a new name seize this opportunity to go down in history? The Rolex Grand Slam of Show Jumping is returning to Canada – may the great spectacle begin!

## CPKC INTERNATIONAL presented by ROLEX

Beezie Madden (USA)



2019

Steve Guerdat (SUI)



2021

Daniel Deusser (GER)




2022

“WINNING THE ROLEX GRAND SLAM OF SHOW JUMPING WAS AN INCREDIBLE MOMENT IN MY CAREER. I CAN HARDLY DESCRIBE MY FEELINGS AND EMOTIONS, WHEN I HELD THE TROPHY IN MY HANDS.

**Scott Brash (GBR)**

## CPKC INTERNATIONAL presented by ROLEX

Martin Fuchs (SUI)



2023

Martin Fuchs (SUI)



2024

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2025




*In 2015, Scott Brash (GBR) won the Grand Slam.*

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# MARTIN FUCHS
## *Record winner*



*The winner of the Rolex Grand Prix at CHIO Aachen 2025: Martin Fuchs (SUI) and Leone Jei.*




*Martin Fuchs (SUI) & Leone Jei at CHIO Aachen 2025.*

**Leone Jei has already carried his rider, Martin Fuchs, to victory in one of the Majors of the Rolex Grand Slam four times – that is a record. Including his win with Clooney in Geneva in 2019, the Swiss show jumper has already notched up five Major victories to date, which is also the non plus ultra. An interview with the 33-year-old, who after winning the Rolex Grand Prix in Aachen is travelling to the Spruce Meadows 'Masters' as contender for the Rolex Grand Slam.**

**Martin, winning the Rolex Grand Prix at the CHIO Aachen is a lifetime dream come true for you. How did you experience the day?**

I woke up unusually early on the morning of the Rolex Grand Prix – the tension was palpable, but so was the joyful anticipation of this important day. I knew that Leone Jei was in absolute top form and I was determined to do everything perfectly. So, I arrived at the showgrounds very early, walked the course several times, took notes and planned the exact procedure. Once finally in the saddle, I was completely focused. Even during the


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*Martin Fuchs (SUI)*
*& Leone Jei.*





> “EACH MAJOR IS A HIGHLIGHT IN MY DIARY.
>
> **Martin Fuchs (SUI)**

warm-up, everything went smoothly and in the ring, Leone Jei jumped exceptionally well and responded attentively to my aids.

**An unusually high number of riders qualified for the jump-off…**

That really was special. Normally if you jump double clear in Aachen, it is enough to secure a placing under the top five. But with so many riders in the jump-off you know: One rail down can knock you back a long way. I consulted with my team as to whether I should play it safe or risk it all to put my fellow competitors under pressure. We were unanimous: The only thing that counted in Aachen this year was the victory. Which is why I risked everything from the first to the very last fence.

**And your plan worked…**

Yes, that was an incredible feeling. When I crossed the finish line, I knew I was fast and had taken over the lead. The crowd was fantastic, the atmosphere simply unique.

**That is when the nerve-wracking wait began…**

That is when I started to get nervous. Up until then I had been totally concentrated all day, but some of the best riders in the world were still to come – including Laura Kraut and Richard Vogel, who are both well-known for their extremely fast rounds. It was thrilling right through to the last second. It was




*Martin Fuchs (SUI) & Leone Jei at CHIO Aachen 2025.*

an indescribable feeling, when I finally realised, I had actually won.

**The names of your Uncle Markus and your Godfather Willi Mellinger are also already engraved on the legendary Winners' Board. Did that make this victory even more special for you?**

Absolutely. Kevin, Willi Mellinger's son, was actually there in person – that was very moving, especially since Willi has sadly passed away. I also contacted his brother Kay and his ex-wife Nadja straightaway. We are one big family.

**The Rolex Grand Slam will now take you on to Calgary, where you will be competing not only as the reigning title holder, but also as contender for the overall series. Does that put you under extra pressure?**

To be honest, no. Spruce Meadows is one of my main goals every year anyway, so it makes no difference to me whether I am the contender for the Rolex Grand Slam or not. When it comes down to a Major, I am always highly motivated. The planning for my top horses, especially Leone Jei, centres around these highlights. He has competed in Calgary three times so far and has won twice.

**Having claimed the victory at meanwhile four Majors, Leone Jei is now the most successful horse in the history of the Rolex Grand Slam…**

I am very proud of this result. On top of the victories, he has also notched up many further top placings. It is an incredible feeling to ride into the biggest arenas knowing that I can rely on him completely. We have been a team for almost seven years and we continue further developing together all the time. I keep on learning to trust him even more. Leone Jei is an exceptional horse; I probably won't ever have another one like him. That is why I enjoy every show with him and I am very grateful to the owners for their support.

**But not only Leone Jei is highly successful – with five Major victories you are now also the most successful rider of the series…**

That is fantastic and a huge motivation for me. These shows are something very special for me and each in itself is a highlight in my diary.

**The British show jumper, Scott Brash, is the only rider to have claimed the overall victory in the Rolex Grand Slam to date. How realistic is it that another rider will succeed in pulling off this feat?**

Very unlikely – and precisely that is what makes the series so special. The best riders with their best horses compete against each other in the Majors and in our sport only one person can win. Even if a rider is in top form and is considered to be the favourite, the favourite seldom wins. That is why I don't put myself under pressure, but instead concentrate on improving continually and giving my best. We will see what the ultimate result is.

# MARTIN FUCHS

***CONTENDER FOR THE ROLEX GRAND SLAM OF SHOW JUMPING***

**NATIONALITY:** SWITZERLAND
**BIRTHDAY:** JULY 13, 1992
**NUMBER OF MAJOR VICTORIES:** 5



# THE ROLEX GRAND SLAM of Show Jumping

unites the Majors in Aachen (GER), Geneva (SUI), Calgary (CAN) and 's-Hertogenbosch (NED) in the challenge for the most prestigious and most difficult-to-win trophy on the international equestrian sport circuit.

The rider, who triumphs at three shows in succession, wins the Rolex Grand Slam of Show Jumping – together with one million Euros on top of the prize-money.

Should a rider win the fourth Major in direct succession after claiming the Grand Slam victory, he doubles his Grand Slam bonus up to two million Euros. Two Major victories within a Grand Slam cycle are rewarded with 500,000 Euros if the victories occur at two consecutive legs of the Grand Slam. Irrespective of the calendar year, each rider's personal Grand Slam cycle begins individually with his first Major victory.

Scott Brash from Great Britain went down in history as the first and only winner of the Grand Slam to-date: He won in Geneva in 2014 as well as in Aachen and Calgary in 2015.




THE Dutch Masters

World Equestrian Festival CHIO Aachen

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CHI DE GENÈVE

# THE MODE

**4 VICTORIES IN SUCCESSION:**
2 MILLION EUROS

**3 VICTORIES IN SUCCESSION:**
GRAND SLAM VICTORY & 1 MILLION EUROS

**2 VICTORIES IN SUCCESSION:**
500,000 EUROS

# WALL OF FAME

## MAJOR WINNERS SINCE 2013

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|---|---|
| Nick Skelton (GBR), Big Star | CHIO Aachen 2013 |
| Pieter Devos (BEL), Candy | CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2013 |
| Steve Guerdat (SUI), Nino des Buissonnets | CHI Geneva 2013 |
| Christian Ahlmann (GER), Codex One | CHIO Aachen 2014 |
| Ian Millar (CAN), Dixson | CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2014 |
| Scott Brash (GBR), Hello Sanctos | CHI Geneva 2014 |
| Scott Brash (GBR), Hello Sanctos | CHIO Aachen 2015 |
| Scott Brash (GBR), Hello Sanctos | CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2015 |
| Steve Guerdat (SUI), Nino des Buissonnets | CHI Geneva 2015 |
| Philipp Weishaupt (GER), LB Convall | CHIO Aachen 2016 |
| Scott Brash (GBR), Ursula XII | CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2016 |
| Pedro Veniss (BRA), Quabri de l'Isle | CHI Geneva 2016 |
| Grégory Wathelet (BEL), Corée | CHIO Aachen 2017 |
| Philipp Weishaupt (GER), LB Convall | CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2017 |
| Kent Farrington (USA), Gazelle | CHI Geneva 2017 |
| Niels Bruynseels (BEL), Gancia de Muze | The Dutch Masters 2018 |
| Marcus Ehning (GER), Prêt à Tout | CHIO Aachen 2018 |
| Sameh El Dahan (EGY), Suma's Zorro | CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2018 |
| Marcus Ehning (GER), Prêt à Tout | CHI Geneva 2018 |
| Henrik von Eckermann (SWE), Toveks Mary Lou | The Dutch Masters 2019 |
| Kent Farrington (USA), Gazelle | CHIO Aachen 2019 |
| Beezie Madden (USA), Darry Lou | CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2019 |
| Martin Fuchs (SUI), Clooney | CHI Geneva 2019 |
| Max Kühner (AUT), Electric Blue P | The Dutch Masters 2021 |
| Steve Guerdat (SUI), Venard de Cerisy | CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2021 |
| Daniel Deußer (GER), Killer Queen VDM | CHIO Aachen 2021 |
| Martin Fuchs (SUI), Leone Jei | CHI Geneva 2021 |
| Daniel Deußer (GER), Scuderia 1918 Tobago Z | The Dutch Masters 2022 |
| Gerrit Nieberg (GER), Ben 431 | CHIO Aachen 2022 |
| Daniel Deußer (GER), Killer Queen VDM | CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2022 |
| McLain Ward (USA), HH Azur | CHI Geneva 2022 |
| McLain Ward (USA), HH Azur | The Dutch Masters 2023 |
| Marcus Ehning (GER), Stargold | CHIO Aachen 2023 |
| Martin Fuchs (SUI), Leone Jei | CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2023 |
| Richard Vogel (GER), United Touch S | CHI Geneva 2023 |
| Willem Greve (NED), Highway TN N.O.P. | The Dutch Masters 2024 |
| André Thieme (GER), DSP Chakaria | CHIO Aachen 2024 |
| Martin Fuchs (SUI), Leone Jei | CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' 2024 |
| Harrie Smolders (NED), Monaco | CHI Geneva 2024 |
| Simon Delestre (FRA), Cayman Jolly Jumper | The Dutch Masters 2025 |
| Martin Fuchs (SUI), Leone Jei | CHIO Aachen 2025 |




*The Rolex Grand Slam Trophy.*




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